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2. Machinery available at the mine included 1 hoisting winch, 1 saw for the production of pit props, 1 compressor, and 30 pneumatic hammers.
3. The 1954 production quota was 36,000 tons. The monthly production quota had been over-fulfilled in June. The ore had an estimated manganese content of 27 to 29 percent. The ore was shipped to Ózd for ~~smelting~~.
4. Chief of the mine was Ferenc Kisbajcsi, a former laborer, who was about 45 years old; chief engineer was Matyas Labudek formerly mine inspector, a Communist, who was an expert.
5. The mine employed a total of about 120 persons, including about 10 percent females. Work was done in three shifts. The mine provided two sets of work clothing each year.

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